(b) National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD) after taking into consideration various relevant factors has reduced the interest rates on refinance for crop loans with effect from 1-3-1988. The details are indicated below:

Percentage of average borrowings from the National Bank of the average out-standings at CCB level during the year	Rate of interest on Refinance (% per annum)	
	Pre-revised	Revised (w.e.f. 1-3-88)
80 and above	7.0	5.0
60 and above but below 80	7.0	4.0
Below 60	7.0	3.0

Freedom Fighters Pension cases Recommended by Members of Parliament

201. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) how many letters from MPs about freedom fighters pension cases have been received by his Ministry during the last three years, years-wise and Member-wise; and

(b) how many of them were finally decided and replied to during the last three years, year-wise and Member-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SANTOSH MOHAN DEV): (a) and (b) The information is not maintained Member-wise. However, the position with regard to the receipt and disposal of MP letters during the last three years is as under:-

Year	No. of MP letters received	No. of MP letters replied	Remarks
Sept' 85 to Dec.' 85	1080	1098	The excess disposal where-ever occurs, includes the back-log of previous periods
1986	3077	1464	
1987	4215	4371	
1988 (upto Aug'.88)	3065	3754	
TOTAL	11,437	10,687	

Applications of spinning mills pending with IDBI

202. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) what are the names of the spinning mills of Maharashtra whose applications for term loans are pending with the Industrial Development Bank of India; and

(b) what is the policy of Government in this regard and by when the cases are likely to be cleared?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC

AFFAIRS IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) and (b) In the context of large spinning capacity already created in the country, the financial institutions have not been in favour of financing new spinning mills. The Industrial Development Bank of India (IDBI) has reported that one case by case review on merits of 11 unimplemented projects in the cooperative sector in Maharashtra, it has already sanctioned assistance in one case and has taken up another application for processing. In accordance with the provisions of Section 29 of the Industrial Development Bank of India Act, 1964, information relating to or to the affairs of its constituents cannot be divulged except in circumstances, in which it is, in accordance with law or practice and usage, customary among bankers, necessary or appropriate for IDBI to divulge such information.

Project from Andhra Pradesh pending clearance

203. PROF. C. LAKSHMANNA: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) how many projects submitted by Andhra Pradesh Government are pending at present for clearance from environmental and forest angles;

(b) what are the details of objections to their celarance; and

(c) what steps are being taken by the Central Government to settle these issues amicably with the State Government?

THE MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI Z. R. ANSARI): (a) and (b) The details of proposals received from Andhra Pradesh, pending clearance from environmental and forest angles are given in the Annexure [*See* Appendix CXLVIII, Annexure No. 6].

(c) In most of the cases are shown in the Annexures the proposals are pending for want of certain information and the State Government has been requested to furnish the same. The decisions on these proposal can be taken as and when the complete details are furnished by the State Government. In the remaining cases which are under process in the Ministry, decisions will be taken soon.

दिल्ली पुलिस में विशेष पुलिस अधिकारी

204. **श्री सुनील कुमार पट्टनायक :** क्या गृह मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि पुलिस विभाग में जिन नागरिकों की "विशेष पुलिस अधिकारी" के रूप में नियुक्ति की जाती है उन्हें मंत्रालय द्वारा और पुलिस विभाग द्वारा कोई सुरक्षा अथवा अन्य सुविधा उपलब्ध नहीं करायी जा रही है, जबकि अन्य मंत्रालयों द्वारा सलाहकार समितियों को विभिन्न सुविधायें उपलब्ध करायी जा रही हैं;

(ख) क्या सरकार उक्त "विशेष पुलिस अधिकारियों" को टेलीफोन और सुरक्षा संबंधी सुविधायें उपलब्ध कराने का विचार रखती है; और

(ग) यदि हां, तो उसका ब्योरा क्या है; और यदि नहीं, तो इसके क्या कारण हैं ?

कार्मिक, लोक शिकायत और पंशन मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री तथा गृह मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री पी० चिदम्बरम): (क) कानून और व्यवस्था को बनाए रखने और अन्य ड्यूटियों के लिए स्थानीय पुलिस की सहायता के लिए दिल्ली पुलिस अधिनियम की धारा 17 के अंतर्गत जनता में से पूर्णत: स्वयंसेवी आधार पर विशेष पुलिस अधिकारी नियुक्त किए जाते हैं।

(ख) जी नहीं, श्रीमान्।